PROPOSAL EVALUATION

IRWM Grant Program – Planning Grant, Round 1, FY 2010-2011

Applicant Upper Mokelumne River Watershed **County** Calaveras, Amador

Authority Grant Request \$250,909

Project Title Mokelumne/Amador/Calaveras IRWM Total Project Cost \$348,000

Region Proposition 84 Planning Grant

Application

<u>Project Description</u> The Upper Mokelumne River Watershed Authority is submitting a proposal on behalf of the Mokelumne/Amador/Calaveras (MAC) Region. The region is proposing to update the November 2006 MAC IRWMP to be consistent with current IRWM Plan Standards and most accurately reflect the Region and its needs. The Region's needs will be captured and addressed during the Plan update through public outreach activities and a Conflict Assessment and Collaborative Decision Making Plan that will be developed as part of the proposal.

Evaluation Summary

Scoring Criterion		Score
Work Plan		15
DAC Involvement		10
Schedule		10
Budget		8
Program Preferences		6
Geographic Balance		0
	Total Score	49

- ➤ Work Plan Work plan fully addresses the criterion and is well supported through documentation and sufficient rationale. It is clear the work proposed updates the 2006 IRWMP to be standards compliant. The applicant has changed its governance structure to be more inclusive of member agencies and planning participants.
- ▶ <u>DAC Involvement</u> DACs are discussed in the background section of the application, and 4 of the 6 DACs are included as planning participants. DACs are identified using 2000 census data; the applicant will reassess its determination of DACs using 2010 data and will solicit additional representation, if warranted. DACs are included in the applicant's 3-tier Community Outreach Plan. The outreach plan is designed to ensure that the interests of DACs in the Region are represented. Task 3 proposes to continue and expand the outreach efforts through 12 RPC meetings, 2 workshops and addition public meetings/workshops. Subtask 3.2 of the Work Plan is for DAC/Native American Outreach and ensures that at least one public workshop is hosted by a DAC.
- **Schedule** The schedule is complete, logical, and matches the work plan and budget. Milestones are identified and connected tasks are illustrated with logical flow paths.
- ➤ <u>Budget</u> While the budget is presented in a clear format that identifies funding sources by task, the backup summary tables are confusing and appear to contradict the main budget detail, specifically with respect to the outside consultant's fee proposal. For example, the consultant's quote for Subtask 1.1 is \$40,000, which is equal to this tasks overall budget. However, other documentation indicates some of Subtask 1.1 expenditures will be met by previously conducted and invoiced work and additional agency provided services.
- ➤ <u>Program Preference</u> Six program preferences (Include regional projects/programs, Effectively integrate water management programs and projects, Effectively Resolve Significant Water-Related Conflicts within or between, Effectively integrate water management with land use planning, Drought Preparedness, Climate Change Response Actions) were adequately addressed in the work plan.
- Geographic Balance Not Applicable